

## ARTESIA FREEWAY (SR 91) HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE (HOV) LANE REHABILITATION PROJECT SCHEDULE

The project involves urgently needed pavement reconstruction in the HOV lanes, which will be closed in both directions in the areas corresponding to the three stages. It also includes replacing cracked pavement in the general use lanes, repairing bridge approach and departure slabs, ramp work and median barrier replacement. After the completion of each stage, the HOV and mixed flow lanes will be open to traffic.

 Stage I – Norwalk Boulevard to the Orange County Line in the city of Cerritos.

> Started: December 2002 Completes: September 2003

2. **Stage II –** Woodruff Avenue to Norwalk Boulevard in the cities of Artesia and Cerritos.

Starts: September 2003 Completes: June 2004

3. **Stage III** – Downey Avenue to Woodruff Avenue in the cities of Bellflower and Paramount.

Starts: July 2004

Completes: February 2005.

NOTE: The dates shown above are subject to change depending on weather conditions and other construction variables.

The HOV lanes on Route 91 were among the first HOV lanes in Los Angeles County. Because of the high volume of traffic in these lanes over the past decade, the asphalt pavement has deteriorated severely and needs immediate replacement with concrete. Chumo Construction of Baldwin Park is the contractor on the \$20.5 million project. The new pavement will provide a smoother riding surface, with a life expectancy of at least 20 years.

Caltrans advises motorists to expect delays in the area and, when possible, take alternate routes during peak commute hours.